

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 910
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A RESOLUTION to join the good people of the Ruritan Club of Pinson in celebrating its 40th anniversary and to honor them for their dedication to community service.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those exemplary clubs and organizations that are comprised of concerned citizens who are dedicated to improving the quality of life in their community; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable group that evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all its chosen endeavors is the Ruritan Club of Pinson, which will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a memorial service on April 24, 2004; and

WHEREAS, composed of individuals who are dedicated to building a better America through fellowship, goodwill, and service to community, Ruritan is a national community service organization formed to create a better understanding among people and, through volunteer community service, to make this Nation's communities better places in which to live and work; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1964, the Ruritan Club of Pinson has assiduously promoted the well-being of local citizens by working with the local volunteer Fire Department, preserving local historic sites, assisting citizens who were facing financial difficulties, promoting patriotism, preserving the environment, providing meals and Christmas fruit baskets to senior citizens, and awarding scholarships to outstanding local students; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Club also conduct annual fundraisers, such as concessions and stew sales, in order to perpetuate their support of the community; and

WHEREAS, held in high regard locally, the members of the Pinson Ruritan Club have been active on the national level as well, with two members having served with distinction as President; and

WHEREAS, as befits their sterling reputation earned through over forty years of dedicated service to their community, the members of the Ruritan Club of Pinson have contributed countless hours and made significant contributions to make Pinson a place of which the whole community can be proud; and

WHEREAS, the members of this laudable organization are wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State"; as ambassadors of those very precepts, the Ruritans of Pinson should be especially recognized on the occasion of their 40th year of service to their community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we join with the members of the Ruritan Club of Pinson in celebrating the Club's 40th anniversary, commend them on four decades of exemplary service to their community, this State, and our Nation, and wish them much continued success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.